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UNION COUNTY HONORS REGISTER'S OFFICE

UNION—The Union County Register's Office was honored by the Board of Chosen Freeholders for receiving a prestigious National Association of Counties (NACo) Award for 1991, announced Freeholder Chairman James Connolly Welch.

Union County Register Joanne Rejoice received the NACo Award for her "Guide to Reverse Mortgage" booklet, which explained to homeowners how to transform the equity in a home into cash.

FREEHOLDERS URGE PASSAGE OF HEALTH CARE REFERENDUM

UNION—The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders passed a resolution supporting the National Health Care Program referendum, which is on the ballot for the Nov. 5 election.

New Jersey is leading the nation by placing this referendum on the ballot. Freeholder Welch said, "I understand the proposed program would include minimal out-of-pocket expenses to taxpayers, which is a must, especially during these times of economic insecurity."

MEDICARE EQUIPMENT RIPS-OFFS COST \$400 BILLION A YEAR

WASHINGTON—The vice chairman of the House of Aging Committee, Rep. Matthew J. Rosta (R-N.J.), called for hearings into the \$400 million a year rip-off of Medicare by handful of unethical medical equipment companies selling everything from oxygen tanks to bedsores bedside kits that the elderly do not need.

He estimated that as many as 20 billion companies around the nation are operating in gray areas of the law, taking advantage of Medicare beneficiaries and law regulation.

NEW DEVICE TESTED FOR SEIZURES

HOUSTON—A new device being tested by researchers at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston may lessen the number and intensity of seizures in more than \$1 million Americans with epilepsy who have difficulty controlling their seizures with medication or surgery.

Many people with epilepsy do not respond to anticonvulsants or standard epilepsy surgery," said Dr. Richard George, an assistant professor of neurosurgery at Baylor. "We hope to offer an alternative."

City salary ordinances still not ratified

Denise M. Gernman

PLAINFIELD — A previously rejected salary ordinance was introduced to the Plainfield City Council (upon their request) to seven separate ordinances, during last week's regular meeting. The Council again denied ratification of the ordinances.

A majority of the ordinances would have brought the city in compliance with the State Department of Personnel as far as titles and salary grades were concerned and some also involved little or no fiscal impact on the city.

One of the most discussed ordinances over the last few months, would have allowed the city to staff its data processing center with a full-time director, instead of continuing to pay a computer consulting firm \$3,000 or more a week to handle the day to day operations of the center.

Several council members stated that their reason for voting down the measure was because of the impending 1991-92 budget that must be passed.

Councilwoman Helen Miller stated that she would like to place the ordinances on the back burner until the budget process was complete, due to the fact that some of the measures represented job upgrades. When asked why she voted the way she did, Council President Elizabeth Urquhart said she also felt that the budget process should be handled first, and that she would

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Justice Marshall honored during CBC Weekend

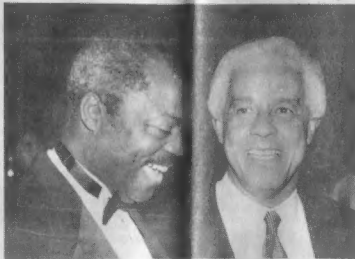
By Larry Stilt

WASHINGTON, DC (NPA)—Retiring Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall was selected to receive the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation Lifetime Achievement Award during the annual legislative weekend sponsored by the nation's 26 African-American members of Congress, September 12-15, in Washington, DC.

Mississippi Congressman Mike Espy (D-Yazoo City) announced recipients of the top CBCF awards as the United States Senate debated President George Bush's nomination of Georgia-born U.S. Appeals Court Judge Clarence Thomas to the high court to succeed Justice Marshall. Espy was chair of the CBC event.

Marshall is "viewed as the foremost defender of equal justice for all. (His) departure leaves a tremendous void in America," CBCF officials declared in also announcing a special (ALW) legislative weekend session to lobby against the Thomas nomination.

Other top honorees chosen by



New Jersey Congressman Donald Payne (left) and Democratic Presidential hopeful L. Douglas Wilder, Governor of Virginia, were two of the many dignitaries taking part in the recent Congressional Black Caucus in Washington, DC.

the predominantly Democratic State Sen. Henry J. Kirksey, and Christopher Edley, Sr., former president of the United Negro College Fund. Edley is being succeeded by Rep. William L. Gray (D-PA) who resigned as Deputy Majority Whip in Congress to accept the UNCF post.

More than 20,000 participants (Continued on page 7)

Newark parents critical of Board of Ed actions

by Stacey Peterson

NEWARK — The transfer of three Newark school administrators to other posts has some parental groups upset to the point that they have boycotted the schools involved and have called for the resignation of Executive Superintendent of Schools Eugene Campbell.

Donna Jackson, a member of one of the community organizations called PUNCH (People United for Newark's Children), explained that several parents are upset due to Campbell's transfers which moved a principal and three vice principals from schools where the parents thought they were very

successful.

She said the parents in her group joined forces with another group called, Hispanic Families for Better Education, in order to have Campbell's decisions overturned.

The schools the parents are focusing on are Barringer and University High schools and McKinley School. Mrs. Jackson said it was like a musical chairs of officials which will end up hurting the students in the long run.

Their efforts included a boycott of the schools in question which began on September 5.

"We did it Thursday, Friday, and Monday of last week," she said, adding that as far as she knew, the boycott was still going on. "We

don't want to keep the kids out too long, though."

She believes the boycott did have an impact as she heard that there were only a handful of students at Barringer. But, Board of Education officials had conflicting information.

Board spokesman Kirk Smith said that in actuality, the effects of the boycott were minimal as only a few students were actually missing from the classes.

Speaking for Campbell who could not be reached for comment, Smith said that the executive superintendent's personnel changes were "based on sound educational

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Panasonic donates 'office within classroom'

High-tech at Central High



Richard Kraft (seated) president of Matsushita Electric Corporation of America, joins Newark's Executive Superintendent of Schools Eugene C. Campbell (l) and Mayor Sharpe James in reviewing one of the Panasonic computers presented to Central High School. The computer is part of a "diminished office" classroom to assist students in developing office skills. Panasonic, a division of Matsushita, donated the \$175,000 grant to equip the classroom.



Central High School Junior Rahashida Smith sits at a terminal in the school's new office systems technology classroom, sponsored by Panasonic.

by Stacey Peterson

NEWARK — Last Monday, Panasonic unveiled a full-fledged business training center — combined classroom in Central High School in order to provide for students' futures today.

The company's endeavor is in response to the increasing need for office and clerical support in Newark and other areas. As cities continue to develop, technical office assistance is becoming more of a priority, and businesses need employees who are familiar with office technology.

This "office of the future," as it is being called, will provide the necessary training so when students graduate from high school, they will be able to walk into an entry-level clerical or secretarial position and basically know how to use the equipment.

Richard Kraft, president and CEO of Matsushita Electric Corporation of America, Panasonic's parent company, along with Newark school officials, and Mayor Sharpe James, focused on their pride and optimism for the new classroom as it is expected to

play a significant role in the school as well as the city.

The Office Systems Technol-

ogy Classroom is located in Room 216 and is complete with state-of-the-art Panasonic equipment. Several computers, laser and dot matrix printers, facsimile machines, multi-functional telephones, and other equipment all in an office setting complete with carpeting, section dividers, and even air conditioners are features of the new classroom.

Students who were present during the classroom's introduction were excited about using the new office which will officially be named the Business Training Center complete with a plaque located outside the door.

Betty Nolan, who will be in charge of teaching the class, said she is also very excited and "can't think of Panasonic enough."

She explained that there will be one office practice class and four computer applications classes offered in the new classroom. She added that the students will become well-versed in software programs such as Lotus 123

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Dr. Alvin Poussaint

WAYNE — William Paterson College of New Jersey and the African-American Institute of the State University of New York will sponsor an international conference on the African American male, "A Self-Reliance Movement Towards a Decade of Action," 24 to 27, October, 1991, at the Glen Pointe Hotel, Teaneck.

Organized by Dr. Margo King of King Productions, Inc. with participants from Africa, Europe,



Haki Madhubuti

and the Caribbean, speakers and workshop leaders will include 42 men, most of whom are authors and researchers, whose works have focused on the immediate and long-range solutions to the problems faced by the African-American male that lead often to his being characterized as "an endangered species."

The four-day conference will feature a keynote address by Dr. Alvin Poussaint, Professor of Psychiatry, Harvard University,



Dr. Leonard Jeffries

and senior consultant to the Cosby Show at 1 p.m. on Thursday, October 24. Other speakers will include Dr. James Turner of Gwynn University; Dr. Leonard Jeffries of the City University of New York; Assemblyman Roger Green of Brooklyn, New York; Haki Madhubuti, author of Black Man: An Endangered Species; and Dr. Malauna Karenga, creator of Kwanzaa.

Workshops will focus on the

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CITY PEOPLE

City News Publisher among MED Week honorees

by Stacey Peterson

NEWARK — Dr. Henry C. Johnson, publisher of City News Publications received the Advocate of the Year Award last Monday as part of the proclamation and awards ceremony recognizing Minority Enterprise Development Week.

The afternoon program entitled Building a Stronger America Through Minority Development took place at the Newark City Hall Rotunda. Several city officials including Mayor Sharpe James, Harold Lucas director, Department of Development, James Blawie, Jr. project manager, Newark Minority Business Development Center; State Senator, Wynona M. Lipman; John Ingelhart, regional director, Minority Business Development Agency; Michael Forbes, regional administrator, US Small Business Administration, and McKinley Howell, director of the Division of Economic Development, Depart-



Dr. Henry Johnson

ment of Development; were among the speakers and presenters.

Awards recipients were: Ms. Marilyn Abadio, president of

Paragon Uniform, Inc., who received the WBE Distinguished

Achievement Award; George Liou, president of Conrise Technology, Inc., who received the MBE Distinguished Achievement Award; Elliot Palmer, president of E. Palmer Paving Co., Inc.; recipient of the Outstanding Achievement Award in Construction; Dr. James Yoh, president of Galaxy Scientific Corporation, who received the SBA Small Minority Businessperson of the Year Award; Anson Dr. president of SKY-ORR Development, Inc. and Ms. Naomi McHadden, owner of Talk of the Town, who both received the Outstanding Newark Business Award; Anthony Terracciano, chairman, president, and CEO of First Fidelity Bank; Gary Scheuring, chairman, president, and CEO of Midlantic Corporation, and Robert Kosick, chairman, president, and CEO of National Community Bank of New Jersey, all received the Outstanding Achievement in Banking Awards.

Dr. El-Kadi to address health forum at Robeson Center

NEWARK — Dr. Ahmed El-Kadi, MD, administrator and researcher at the Alkhor Clinic, Panama City, Florida will be the keynote speaker at a health forum at Paul Robeson Center, 350 Martin Luther King Blvd., Newark, N.J., on Sunday, September 29, 1991 from 4 to 9 p.m.

Dr. El-Kadi, born in Egypt, had done extensive research on the effects of Black Seed and the combination of Black Seed and Garlic (Conigar) in aiding the defense mechanism of the body. According to El-Kadi there seems to be a synergistic effect which occurs with the combination of Black Seed, renowned for its health promoting abilities, and other herbs. Preliminary studies conducted on volunteers found to have suppressed defense functions showed the Black Seed has an enhancing effect, particularly for the natural killer cells common to AIDS.

Sponsored by Falah Holistic Health, Inc. the forum will focus on natural approaches to healing. Other speakers and workshops include: Len Burg, Sersulunda Community, Inc. N.Y., discussing Homopathic Immune Therapy; Mr. Yaw Nwong on Gem Therapy and Abdul-Aziz Shabazz on Spiritual Health.

The forum is open to the public and registration begins at 3:00 P.M. For more information on the program call 201-923-6779.

Ruby Dee featured at East Orange networking luncheon

EAST ORANGE — Sandy Cooper, First Lady of East Orange, will host the second annual Women's Network Luncheon featuring actress, poet, and writer, Ruby Dee and honoring "Jewels of the City."

The luncheon will be held on Saturday October 5 at 11:30 a.m. at the Atrium West in West Orange, located at 609 Eagle Rock Avenue.

This is the second year of the luncheon which brings together women of East Orange and surrounding communities to network and recognize some of the heroines who have contributed to the City over the years.

According to Mrs. Cooper, the luncheon was developed to give women who have something in common, an opportunity to

meet and recognize some of the women who have contributed their time and expertise to East Orange over the years.

Last year's speaker spoke of raising children in an urban environment and the challenges facing parents. Mrs. Cooper noted that the luncheon is also open to men. Three women who have excelled in areas of health, education, and community, will receive honors for their dedication and commitment to the East Orange community.

This year's luncheon will also feature a presentation by Ruby Dee, who is best known for her acting and writing. Most recently, she appeared in Spike Lee's "Jungle Fever" and "Do the Right Thing." She has written several books including "My One Last



Ruby Dee

Nerve." Tickets for the luncheon are \$50 and can be purchased by calling 201-414-1226.



The organizers of the Fourth Annual Festival of the Arts and Heritage of African-Americans recently held their kick-off press conference in the office of Newark Mayor Sharpe James before making stops in several New Jersey cities. The Mayor commended the officials for another successful festival. This year, the event featured 25 top performing acts, hundreds of vendors and artists, as well as dozens of thousands of festival-goers. Some of the committee members and sponsors responsible for the event were (from left): Avery Grant; Raymond Hillard; Carolyn Brothers Johnson; Samuel Smith; Carl Coles, media relations director; E. Tonya Greenwood, general chairperson; Julian K. Robinson, board chairman; Dorothy Taylor, City National Bank branch manager; Keith Marks, Butler, and Louise Reeves, City National Bank loan officer.



The City of Newark recently donated \$10,000 to the New Jersey Vietnam Memorial Committee for the construction of a monument at the Garden State Arts Center in Holmdel. Committee officials said that Newark's municipal contribution is the largest in the state. Mayor Sharpe James (third from the right), Council President Donald Tucker (third from the left) and Councilman Donald Bradley (second from the left) display the \$10,000 checks from the Mayor's Office and the Newark Municipal Council that were presented to State Senator Edward O'Connor, committee chairman and the committee's campaign director, Laurence Lynch (center). Those also attending the ceremony are (from left): Nick DeBenedetto, Disabled American Veterans former department commander; Carl McDonald, Newark Veterans Committee chairman; Victor Capogrosso, Italian-American New Jersey national commander and Joseph Mennella, Vietnam Veterans Memorial committee vice chairman and former national commander of the Italian-American War Veterans.

Coping

by Dr. Charles W. Faulkner



My worst vacation

I had just finished writing a column and was thinking about how nice it will be to take a two-week vacation. Since I hadn't had a complete physical exam in more than 10 years, I thought it would be wise to get one and then take a two-week vacation. I felt good, so I was confident that I was in good health.

After the exam, I was given a referral to see a specialist. I began to worry. Did I have some sort of disease? Only negative thoughts crossed my mind. I was told there were traces of blood in my urine and that I should see a urologist.

After an X-ray and other tests, I was told that I had a large stone in my bladder that had to be removed soon. So, my vacation began with many needles and pre-operation tests. The next thing I knew, I was in the hospital for surgery. Fortunately, the doctor felt that he could use a laser-sound wave technique that would consist of inserting a tube in your-know-where and directing powerful blasts of sound waves into the stone in order to break it into little pieces. No cutting. I was told, would be necessary.

After a couple of whiffs of anesthesia, I was out like a light. I woke up in the recovery room feeling groggy but pleased that I had undergone a successful operation and could now begin my vacation. As I lay in bed thinking about the great time that I would have on my vacation, I walked six doctors with some distressing news: The "stone" was hard as metal and the laser-sound instrument was not able to break it up.

Therefore, I was scheduled for a second operation on the next day during which an incision would be made in the stomach and bladder, and the stone would be removed surgically.

My initial response was, "damn," because I had never had surgery before. Nevertheless, there I was being wheeled into the operating room again, anesthesia mask over my face, and into a deep sleep. When I awoke, the operation was over and I was wondering how this all happened to a guy like me, who felt great.

Now for the negative news. I had to wear a catheter, inserted in your-know-where, and a little plastic bag attached to my legs, for 10 days. The two-week vacation had gone down the tube and here I am writing another column for my friends.

Writing everything in perspective, the hospital stay was inconveniencing, at times painful, and occasionally frightening (because you never know if the doctor is going to give you some bad news that could really ruin your life). The good news was that I had had every possible test run on me that you can imagine, and I am in excellent health. No physical examination is as complete as the one you get before surgery.

The moral of this column is: Don't neglect your health. Don't assume that you are in good health simply because you feel "good." Your health — both mental and physical — is your most valuable possession. It is your health. It is your responsibility.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

EAST ORANGE — East Orange General Hospital's Family Health Center will offer area residents a free glucometer and contact screening for residents age 25 or older. The Center will accept walk-in participants between 12:30 p.m. and 3 p.m. For more information, call 201-674-3500.

JERSEY CITY — The Jersey City State College Women's Center and Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Hudson County will co-sponsor a "Nutrition Program" on "Fruits and Vegetables" from 1:30-2:30 p.m. at the JSCC Women's Center, 32 College St. To register for a workshop call Karen DeLuca at 201-547-3189.

PATERSON — The Paterson Free Public Library's Multicultural Forum presents "Modern Stereotyping: The Graphics Designer Strikes Back," 250 Broadway from 7:00-9:00 p.m. For more information, call 201-881-7038.

PLAINFIELD — The Family Support Group of the Association for Retarded Citizens of Union County will hold a special meeting at 7:30 p.m. in the Lounge area of the ARC's Plainfield Work Center, 1227 South Ave. For more information, call 908-754-9810.

SEASIDE HEIGHTS — "Climax '91" with over 2000 dolls from all over the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico will be held Sept. 27 throughout the town. For more information, call 908-793-1510.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

UNION — Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County is offering a free "Financial Planning for the Recently Single" class from 7:00-9:00 p.m. For more information, call 908-654-9854.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

BERKELEY HEIGHTS — A conference to plan a model program for the "Rehabilitation and Aftercare of Addicted Women and their Children" from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at Penna's Specialized Hospital. For more information, contact Joan Houlihan, 908-771-5730; Cheryl Winchell, 908-755-1500 or Dianne Watson, 908-763-8474.

NEWARK — A tribute dinner-program for Brother Yusuf R. Shakir will be held at the Quality Inn, The Honorable Congressman Donald Payne will be the keynote speaker. Entertainment will be provided by Chooz Elie Trio and vocalist Lady C. \$50 donation. For ticket information, call 201-542-3307 or 372-2224.

RANOCAS — The American Indian Day Celebration including music, dance and food will be held at the Ranocas Indian Reservation. Free admission. For more information, call 609-851-4747.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

JERSEY CITY — Jersey City State College is offering a non-credit course thru the Saturday Semester Program entitled "Introduction to Word Processing (IBM)" from 9 a.m. at JSCC campus, 2039 Kennedy Blvd. For more information and registration, call 201-500-3239.

NEW BRUNSWICK — An International Adoption Information Workshop presented by LAPA (Latin America Parents Association) will be held at 9:30 a.m. at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, Main Lobby, Somerset Street, \$20 donation/members; \$50/non-members per family. For further information, call 908-249-5600.

NEWARK — The 7th Annual Newark Festival of People to sponsor major Fall Fair from 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. at PSEG, Plaza and Military Park. For more information, contact Celeste B. Morgan at 201-733-4301.

STANHOPE — The Waterloo Arts & Crafts Festival with over 150 artists and crafts people displaying their wares for sale will be held at Waterloo Park. For more information, call 201-788-2773.

WATCHUNG — The Watchung Arts Center will hold its second spring garden and art sale from 9 a.m. at the Watchung Arts Center, 18 Striving Rd. (Watchung Circle). For more information, call 908-753-0190.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

CLIFTON — 19th Annual Celebrity-Ambassador Tournament hosted by the Garden State Arts Center Foundation held at the Upper Montclair Country Club. For more information, call 908-888-5000.

EDISON — Sports notables Tommy John and Pat McCort will join golfers in a benefit tournament sponsored by the Huntington's Disease Society of America, New Jersey Chapter at the Plainfield Country Club at 11:30 a.m. For more information, call 908-969-5080 or 908-828-3070.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1

NEW BRUNSWICK — "Legal Tools for Financial Management" will be held at the New Jersey Law Center, One Constitution

Square from 7-9 p.m. Free admission. To register call 908-249-5000, ext. 208 or 209.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2

JERSEY CITY — The Jersey City State College Women's Center and Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Hudson County is offering a free workshop "How Food Affects You: Part 1" from 12:30-2:30 p.m. at the JSCC Women's Center, 32 College St. For more information, call 201-547-3189.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

EAST ORANGE — East Orange General Hospital's Family Health Center is offering area residents free prostate cancer screenings for men age 40 or over. Men interested in being tested must call to schedule an appointment by calling 674-3500.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

SOMERSET — The ARCA Annual Convention will be held at the Somerset Hilton 8-6 p.m. For more information, contact the Somerset County Chapter of ARCA.

JERSEY CITY — Jersey City State College is offering a non-credit course thru the Saturday Semester Program entitled "Introduction to Word Processing" thru the Macintosh from 9 a.m. at JSCC campus, 2039 Kennedy Blvd. For more information and registration, call 201-200-3269.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7

WESTFIELD — A support group for people caring for elderly or chronically ill relatives meets on the first Monday of each month at 8:00 in the parish corner of St. Helen's Church on Lamberts Mill Road. For more information, call Marilyn Ryan at 908-233-8757.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

JERSEY CITY — Jersey City State College is offering a non-credit course thru the Saturday Semester Program entitled "Lotus 1-2-3 (Fundamentals) and Database Management Using the Macintosh," from 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. at JSCC campus, 2039 Kennedy Blvd. For more information and registration, call 201-200-3089.

South Africa's problem isn't Russia's or Europe's

by Daniel Marolen

WASHINGTON, DC (NNPA) — Although the recent drama of a coup d'etat in Russia and the end of communism in Eastern Europe is for political change from communism to democracy, it is unlike the change from apartheid and white domination that the indigenous black population is fighting to attain in South Africa. In Russia and Eastern Europe, the problem the people are concerned with is change of the system of government from communism to

democracy. On the other hand, in South Africa, the problem is one race dominating another race. The drama of the Moscow coup d'etat was staged by communist Russians against fellow Russians who want to see their country turned into a democratic state. But both sides consisted of Russians. It was Russians versus Russians. But, in South Africa, the battle is waged between the indigenous black Africans (against the minority European (white) population which dominates and monopolizes political power and all

structures of government in the country, totally disenfranchising all the native inhabitants and leaving them totally without a vote or eligibility to be elected to any office of government. In South Africa, the struggle is between the indigenous inhabitants and their foreign invaders and conquerors. The majority black population desires freedom, justice, and equality as citizens. But the minority, white-ruling class desires to dominate all the inhabitants of the country; white, black, brown, or yellow. The Africans stand for democratic rule, whilst

the white stand for white domination and racial segregation known as apartheid.

The native Africans want a government whose legitimacy is only determined by the ballot box, not the color of a person's skin. They want all citizens of all races to be represented in the government of their country, irrespective of race, origin, or belief. They want every individual to be accorded higher human respect, recognition, and dignity. All Africans want full control of their own lives and destinies. They (the white apartheid) and await its demise fervently, and want to see it replaced by democracy.

But, as it is in South Africa today, the majority of the population, consisting of blacks, are restricted by the minority white government from enjoyment of the vote and from holding any elected government position.

Although the system of

apartheid has been trimmed of some of its most glaring discriminatory legislation, it is still very much in place; rigid, oppressive, discriminatory, and brutal. In addition, the extreme and most racist right-wing Afrikaner parties of Dr. Eugene TerreBlanche and Dr. Andries Treurnicht, who lead the Afrikaner Resistance Movement and the Conservative Afrikaner Party, respectively, are still vehemently opposed to change and the end of apartheid to democracy. They are determined more than ever to intensify, consolidate, and perpetuate apartheid to its extremes.

President F. W. de Klerk's own ruling Nationalist Afrikaner Party is the country's main apartheid party. But, it is surprising that de Klerk is famous around the world as a reformer who fights to end apartheid. Can one head the apartheid party and at the same time, bring about its

demise? One wonders...It is astonishing that de Klerk wants to give South Africa a new, non-racial, and democratic constitution. No wonder de Klerk's ruling party's draft constitution is setting tongues wagging everywhere because it is an apartheid constitution in new guises...

TerreBlanche and Treurnicht can still reverse the feeble attempts that have been made towards ending apartheid. The days of apartheid are not yet waning, and President de Klerk can still be turned out of the presidency and out of power in a future general election.

South Africa isn't moving forward speedily towards democracy hence, its situation must not be compared to that of Russia or Eastern Europe where everyone has a right and say in his/her country's decision making. South Africa is dominated by racist whiteness and cannot change...

Afrocentrism, scholarship or religion

NEW YORK (BUSINESS WIRE) — African-American scholars must reject dubious sciences of race and avoid acting like "thought police" who decide who, or what, is "black," a noted African-American scholar writes in an essay for Newsweek's Sept. 23 cover story.

For a scholar, 'Afrocentrism' should mean more than wearing Kente cloth and celebrating Kwanzaa instead of Christmas," writes Henry Louis Gates Jr., chair of Harvard's African-American Studies Department.

"Bogus theories of 'sun and ice' people, and the invidious scapegoating of other ethnic groups, only resurrects the worst of 19th century racist pseudoscience which too many of the Pharaohs of 'Afrocentrism' have accepted without realizing."

Gates' essay is part of a cover package on Afrocentrism. In a separate essay, author Molefi Kete Asante, chair of Temple University's African-American Studies Department, argues that the goal of Afrocentrism is not racist or anti-Semitic, but to place "African people within our own historical framework."

"Afrocentricity is a struggle against extreme misorientation, where many of us believe that we share the same history as whites; indeed, that we came across on the Mayflower," Asante writes. "This is not an idea to replace all things European, but to expand the dialogue to include African-American

information."

Another part of Newsweek's cover package surveys the current debate over Afrocentrism, noting that although the movement has won many adherents among the black middle class, some black in-

tellectuals are uncomfortable with the concept. "We are not educating children to live in Africa, but to live in the Western World," says Spencer Holland, director of the Center for Educating African American males in Baltimore.

Eye/Vision program in East Orange

EAST ORANGE — Mayor Cardell Cooper kicked off a free eye health program that will include a comprehensive screening and examination during the city's observance of National Eye Health Week from September 23 to 27.

The highlights of the week include the announcement of an outreach eye examination program to be conducted by the New Jersey State Commission for the Blind, a six-month Eye/Vision Screening Project to be conducted at the Health Department, and a used eyeglass collection campaign.

"East Orange is observing Eye Health Week to emphasize the importance and need among East Orange residents for ongoing eye vision care," Cooper said. "Too often, many of us believe that good vision indicates healthy eyes. However, there are many eye disorders that may not be ap-

parent until a comprehensive eye/vision examination is done."

A brief ceremony kicking off the week took place at 9 a.m. in the East Orange City Council Chambers which was followed by free adult eye examinations.

During the month of September, the city will collect used metal and reusable plastic eyeglass frames, non-prescription sunglasses, soft cases, and precious scrap metal (silverware, jewelry, watches, etc.) for the New Eyes for the Needy, Inc. New Eyes will process the materials to provide glasses for the needy in the United States and abroad.

Collection sites are located in the lobby of East Orange City Hall and the East Orange Department of Welfare at 188 Central Avenue.

For additional information, please call Carolyn Monet at 201-246-5131.

Newark Emergency...A Modern Day Hero

In these times of economic despair, many Americans find themselves face to face with a crisis. Newark Emergency Services for Families, Inc. is one of the leading social service agencies serving the Newark and Greater Newark area. The agency serves as a modern day hero for many who find themselves in an emergency situation.

Over the years, America has become famous for its reputation as "The Land of Opportunity." The city of Newark serves as an excellent example of this optimistic belief because of the wide variety of nationalities represented in the city.

NESF reaches out to those in need, and a large percentage of its clientele includes Latinos. There are many Latinos who were born in America and have made this country their home, but many continue to come ... seeking what they have always dreamed of "a land of opportunity." Such is the case of one young man who came to NESF for assistance.

This young man, we'll call him Roberto, came to NESF immediately after arriving to this country from Ecuador. He had come to this country to be with his father, but

he had trouble getting along with his father and his father put him out on the streets. Luckily he met a former client from NESF who informed about the agency and the services that they provide. Roberto had no friends, no family, no food, nor any place to stay. Not to mention that he didn't speak one word of English.

In order to maintain their obligation to the entire community, NESF has several bilingual employees and one of them played a key role in Roberto's quest for change.

This NESF staffer accompanied Roberto to the Newark Federal Building where together they completed all of the necessary forms for Roberto to obtain an identification card and begin his journey towards citizenship.

Unfortunately, receiving identification was the least of Roberto's worries. Roberto was homeless. The NESF staffer who was working on his case advised him to seek shelter at Goodwill, but Roberto refused and he ended up at Penn Station which had become a haven for many homeless people.

At this point, once again, Roberto found himself with no

place to turn and again he turned to NESF.

Roberto's case worker accompanied him to City Welfare and they arranged for him to stay at the Carter Hotel.

Now Roberto has a place to live and he is seeking employment. He is on his way to becoming a citizen and fulfilling his dreams.

During the course of a year, NESF sees thousands of Roberto's, some single, many with families, but in all cases, the agency and its staff are well equipped to handle the needs of each Latino client.

NESF also works closely with agencies such as La Casa De Don Pedro, CURA (Community Unit for the Rehabilitation of the Addict), FOCUS (Field Orientation Center for the Underprivileged Spanish) and St. Columba. By networking with these agencies and employing Latino workers, a Newark Emergency Services for Families, Inc. successfully meets the needs of the Latino Community.

Newark Emergency Services for Families, Inc. is a non-profit agency which provides 24-hour emergency response to families and individuals. We supply emergency meals, food, and utilize assistance when funds are available. NESF is extremely involved, operating training courses and will help individuals. NESF's 24-hour hotline number is 201-837-0809.

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OPINION

EDITORIAL

The media says this?

This past week, Newark hosted the Ninth Annual Black Issues Conference in order to flush out and address the things mostly affecting today's individuals. Thursday, a symposium on police brutality took place and among the distinguished dais, sat one of the most controversial civil rights leaders of our time, Rev. Al Sharpton.

The reverend pointed out how the incidents of police brutality have reached "epic proportions," and challenged black elected officials to get involved to help eradicate this phenomenon.

He hit some valid points, and did not back away from the issues at hand. As he stood at the podium, we were impressed by the man's earnestness. No bravado, no nonsense, no entourage, none of what is portrayed of Al Sharpton in the general media. The contradiction prompted us to question just what the mass media is doing to the Al Sharptons of the world? Is the media biasedly reporting what the man is doing and saying or is it giving the mainstream viewership and readership what they want — a radical black man who is seen as an instigator of racism and someone who should be feared by all?

What is the responsibility of the media? Any of us who attended journalism school were taught that we were to unbiasedly report the truth as best we could. We were told that ethics must be considered and adhered to at all times, not just when it will sell papers.

We of the media must remember our roles to tell — not our own stories, nor opinions. The truth — nothing more and nothing less.

Are media agents doing this? In school, we are taught that there are two sides to every story. It is possible that there is another Al Sharpton besides the one we endlessly see and hear about on the news that we should also look at? He said last Thursday that after his trip to Israel, he came home and helped his daughters with their homework. Why hasn't this humanitarian side of the man ever been reflected in his efforts to stand up for justice?

A professor once told me and my classmates to question everything that's read, seen, and heard. He said to find out the truth for ourselves and not just believe everything someone tells us. The irony is that he wasn't in the journalism department but in the Department of African American Studies.

Hi-tech at Central

(Continued from page 1)

and Word Perfect, they will be trained to use the fax machines, learn how to develop spreadsheets, as well as the rest of the phases of office practice.

"By the time they leave here, they will be able to have the skills to handle an entry-level office job," Ms. Nolan said.

She pointed out that the atmo-

sphere makes students believe they are in a real office, making them "feel like a professional."

Executive Superintendent of Schools, Eugene Campbell said that he was very pleased that Panasonic chose Newark for this project with Mayor James adding that this new classroom is very important to the students, the city, and the future of Newark.

Quote of the Week

Out of the blood of Martin Luther King you earned it — to be Mayor, Freeholder, and Senator — so, don't get on us for marching because it was marching that got [you] in office in the first place.

Rev. Al Sharpton

on Black political leaders
Black Issues Conference, Newark, N.J.
(See BIC coverage in the next issue of City News)

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'In God We Trust'

An open letter to the St. John's Victim

"Violence against Black people has been synonymous with our experience in this country. The very fact that we are here is the result of the abduction of our ancestors from their homes in Africa. After the nightmarish Middle Passage, our kin found themselves enslaved in one of the most physically and psychologically brutal systems ever devised.

Black women have never been exempted from racist violence because we are women. The physical abuse of Black women is unique, however, because of its sexual and racial dimensions. The tradition of rape of Black women by White men and forced sterilization points up two ways in which we are eroticized simultaneously as women and as Black people. For us to comprehend violence against Black women, we must realize that all violence against all women is related to our position under patriarchy.

Ms. Jones, this particular piece was documented in a book about the experiences of Black women in America entitled: "All the Women are White, all the Blacks are Men, but some of us are brave." In your courage and your bravery that I intend to salute during the course of this writing, and I hope that God will bless what I write and allow something of value to be passed on to you. My full name is Bruce Kieriam, I am thirty three years old and I reside in New York City in the Borough of Queens. I was in attendance throughout most of your trial and I was also in Court every day that you testified. I am simply writing to inform you of how much I respect you and how much I admire you. God has certainly blessed you to be a woman of fine class and dignity. I have absolutely no problem in believing that what you stated on the witness stand is the absolute truth and as I watch you constantly I become filled with the desire to try and improve you, simply to let you know that

there were many in the Courtroom who believed in you and in your inherent goodness.

There is also a large segment of the Black community in New York who are absolutely sickened by this ridiculous verdict that was given and who intend to continue to fight and struggle on your behalf. Adam Clayton Powell was a very courageous Harlem Congressman and is a well respected man in our history. He always advised us to hold on and to keep the faith. I take this opportunity to state: Ms. Andrea Jones, please hold on, stay strong, and do keep the faith. God will give you the victory in the end and as Rev. Herbert Daughty has already stated you have actually been victorious already. Simply by you having the strength, faith, and endurance to come forward and to state very truth what happened to you serves to inspire other young women to try and feed off of your strength.

In fact, dear sister, you are an inspiration to me...and I'm a young man.

I ask you not to blame yourself for what happened at St. John's University or for what happened in the Queens County Courtroom. None of it is your fault. You are actually the victim of six savage malcontents and a vicious, hypocritical, racist and sexist Court system. These devilish practices in America's Courtrooms have been going on long before Andrea Jones was a twinkle in her mother's eye. Throughout the history of America violence perpetrated on Black women by White men has been accepted practically as a national past time.

On the other hand it is even assumed that Black men know something about a White woman who had been sexually abused. He was taken out of his home and hung on the nearest tree. These practices are still in effect today in the form of legal lynching. Make

no mistake about it: I know that sexual abuse is wrong in whatever color that it comes in. This type of abuse is not about love, sex, or desire. It is about a deep seeded hatred of women and an absolute lack of real manhood.

Why didn't they just believe you Ms. Jones? Is it because you were not telling the truth? Certainly not. It is because they do not have your courage. They did not possess the internal fortitude to look clearly at the overwhelming evidence against the defendants and ultimately send these so-called good all-American White boys to prison where they belong. This jury's verdict was based on racism and sexism. In fact I think that despite what they are now saying they probably did believe you but they were too overcome with fear and ignorance to do what they knew to be morally correct. I humbly submit that the two Black jurors were so fearful of receiving displeasure from people whom they still view as their masters that they couldn't even hold out for a hung jury.

It is very interesting that there is a screening process for jurors to be selected by. I wonder what it is that they are actually screening for? They are certainly not looking for potential jurors who are analytical and are able to see psychologically and socially into things. I'm sure that they want folks who are not very socially aware and in a case like yours not aware of the historical context involving White men and their continued abuse of Black women.

The great historian and educator Carter G. Woodson wrote a book in 1933 entitled *The Miseducation of the Negro*. In it he writes: "When you control a man's thinking you do not have to worry about his actions. You do not have to tell him not to stand here or go yonder. He will find his proper place and will stay in it. You do not need to send him to the back door.

He will go without being told. In fact, if there is no back door, he will cut one for his special benefit.

His education makes it necessary." In 1991 this statement by Dr. Woodson is still a major problem in Black communities across America. This is why it is easy for corrupt lawyers and judges to find a convenient Black female juror to sit on your case. They know she had no character and didn't know anything.

I recommend Ms. Jones, that as you continue to grow mentally, spiritually, and physically that you please read and study. You have nothing to fear and nothing to be ashamed of. You stood boldly and strongly on what you knew to be the truth and believe it or not every thinking person in New York understands that you told the truth. The question therefore is not why did Andrea Jones lie, the real question that needs to be asked is one that Judge Bruce Wright raised in his 1987 book entitled, *Black Robes White Justice*. He asked why doesn't our justice system work for Blacks? Throughout the pages of this book he proceeds to answer these questions himself.

You are a great young woman Ms. Jones and a true Black Queen. Please continue to walk in beauty, class and dignity.

Respectfully,
Bruce Kieriam
Queens, New York

City News It's Read Black & True

To the Plainfield Community, from the Watoto Wa Afrika Festival Committee

As an African-American, committee member, and resident of Plainfield, I am both proud and pleased to be among the many attendees of the 3rd Annual Watoto Wa Afrika Festival and sponsored by African Cultural Arts Programming (ACAP), a nonprofit organization. What began as a gray rainy morning blossomed into a day filled with sunshine, gay brilliant colors, rhythmic sounds and one of the biggest blessings of all...the voices of laughing children!

For those of us whom the rain did not deter, it was truly an affair we shall long remember. The atmosphere was electrifying as we gathered in front of the bandstand to a day of non-stop entertainment. The few select vendors doubled our pleasure in their dual

capacity of presenting much sought after ethnic art, jewelry, brilliantly colored fabrics and fashions, books, and, of course, my favorite, stories of some of their personal escapades into various parts of Africa, in their quests to bring to us only the finest and most unique treasures from the Motherland.

Upon polling the vendors, I was told how pleased they were to be a part of the festival and how much it meant to them to have been so well supported; that the community's response was gratifying because it is imperative that we all support one another's efforts.

It was also great to see a few of our T-shirts from last year. Each year we offer our logo T's, in a different color, which directly support the festival. This year we

only had six child and six adult shirts, so for those of you who purchased one held on for dear life! It will surely be a collector's item!

There was something for all. Pamela Clements, festival coordinator, and the entire festival committee extend a special thanks to Mayor Harold Mitchell for his unscheduled visit, giving the festival a feeling of being one with the city, and to those residing on the perimeter of Library Park for their bearing with us when the music seemed just a bit much toward the end of the day.

We are extending a personal invitation to each of you to come out and join in next year's festival activities. We are elated that so many in the community came out, bringing their children, to support the efforts and take advantage of the wealth of information

and cultural enrichment presented, for sharing our heritage and enriching the personal, educational, economical and social aspects of our lives, and especially those of our children — is the basis for the Watoto Wa Afrika Festival. For you see Watoto Wa Afrika means...the African children.

Even though our event is an ethnic celebration, we encourage everyone to share in it with us. Remember, if each one teaches one, we shall all benefit. So next year make a note to bring your lawn chairs and blankets.

In the effort to make the Watoto Wa Afrika Festival '92 the best that it can be we are now recruiting volunteers for various committees, as well as vendors, and sponsors. You may write: Watoto Wa Afrika, 1034 Oak Bay Avenue, Suite 21, Plainfield, NJ.

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CAN'T TOUCH THIS De La Soul: Alive and Kicking

Exit the old style into the new
But nothing's new being hawked by a few
Or should I say a flock
Cause around every block
There's Harry, Dick and Tom with demo in his palm

Ring Ring Ring (Ha Ha Hey) De La Soul

by Terry Benjamin

Only the Long Island, New York rappers like the extremely innovative De La Soul could put together samples from Bob James, Bob Marley, and Slave and come up with "Keepin' The Faith," a slamming jam that is part of their new album "De La Soul Is Dead."

The De La Soul from the hit debut album, "3 Feet High & Rising" is back with a new and improved sound that is much harder and less playful than its predecessor. The trio — Posnados (Kelvin Mercer), Trugoy (David Jolicoeur) — Big Bank Masco (Vincent Mason, Jr.) turns serious on tracks like "Millie Puffed a Pistol on Santa," a story about an incest between a father who moonlights as a Macy's Santa Claus and his unwilling daughter who pulls a gun on him — and "Talkin' Bout Hey Love," a track about being "fully dedicated to a young romance; but there is still some of that off-the-wall silliness that defines their first album: a million stars. In the silly-mad vein is "Oodles of O's" and "Bitties in the BK Lounge," a homage to the ladies that lunch at Burger King.

Already this album has pro-

vided two hip hop summer hits — "Ring Ring Ring (Ha Ha Hey)" and a roller skating jam named "Saturdays." Both contain memorable musical hooks. On "Ring Ring Ring" it's "Hey, how ya doin'/Sorry you can't get thru/but leave your name and your number/And I'll get b-a-b-a back to you."

This track about the down side of celebrity echoes the woe woe of many young rap stars who find themselves constantly bombarded by fans with demo tapes. While "Saturdays" is a track that is great for dancing or roller skating and contains the compelling hook: "Five days you work/One whole day to play/Come on everybody lay your roller skates today." Both records contain four-star musical production that reconstructs bits and pieces from a diverse collection of artists that include the Wu-Tang Clan and the J.B.s on "Ring Ring Ring" and the Mighty Rhyxers, Frankie Valli, and Chicago on "Saturdays."

De La Soul's music is easily accessible: it is their lyrics that make many scratch their temples and ask: "What did they mean?" The meaning is purposely obscure — a peek into a world inhabited by the Native Tongues, a community of rap artist that include



the Jungle Brothers, A Tribe Called Quest, Brand Nubians, and new members Black Sheep. On "Pease Porridge" it is obvious that De La Soul is down on overly commercialized rappers and have no love for critics that view the image they projected on their first album as soft. That is one of the reasons that they killed the Daisy (Da Inner Sound Y'All) Age and resurrected themselves as legitimate boys from the hood via Brooklyn and the Bronx.

Another component of De La Soul musical theater is the fictional WRMS, the radio station that plays nothing but "De La Soul" music. A funky collection of tracks, including "WRMS Dedication to the Bitty," "Rap De Rap Show," and "WRMS: Ca's in Control," celebrate this ultra hip

hop station.
But back to those "deep lyrics." "Fanatic of the B Word" features Black Sheep with some characteristically obscure lyrics: "Phonetics and connectives preserve therefore I kick it I took the LIRR but I didn't have a ticket."
Had some Chinese food but I didn't have a spoon
Had a dope rhyme but I didn't have it soon
Lookin' out the window day is filled with rain and gloom
Man oh man o man o man I hope I find my spoon soon.
This LP may be entitled "De La Soul is Dead" but this is one rap trio that is alive and kicking — with enough musical savvy and lyrical inventiveness to keep them going for a very long time.



Kean College students, Ruth and Isabel Jimenez of Plainfield accepted tuition scholarships as the 1991 Dr. James E. Dorsey Scholars at a recent awards banquet at the college. Antenor Adam, a member of Kean College's Board of Trustees presented the award.

College senior attends leadership conference

WEST WINDSOR — Trenton resident Willie Brown, a senior majoring in science at Mercer County Community College, recently attended the Black Student Leadership Institute at the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Va. The conference is designed to enhance leadership skills through an intense and in-depth curriculum entitled "Empowering Self and Others."

Brown was one of only 20 students chosen from applicants across the country to attend the two-week conference. He was selected on the basis of academic performance, recommendations from faculty and staff, and his participation as a black student leader on campus. Brown also wrote an essay in which he addressed the issue of leadership re-

sponsibility and focused on a person whose leadership he admires. "I gained a lot of valuable experience and met a number of inspiring people," Brown said. "The conference sharpened my leadership abilities so that now I feel more confident helping other students on campus."

Last year, Brown served as vice president of the college's African American Student organization and co-chair of the college's Urban Mentor Program. He is currently running for a position in the college senate and for Student Government Association treasurer.

Brown plans to graduate from Mercer in May and study computer science at Rutgers University.

Rutgers senior named to Dept. of Ed. advisory board

CAMDEN — Angela J. Washington of Willingboro, a senior at Rutgers University's Camden campus, has been named a member of the financial aid advisory board for the NJ Department of Higher Education.

She is the first student from the Camden campus of Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, to be named to the board.

In addition, Washington, 25, has been elected president of the Rutgers-Camden Black Student Union (BSU), of which she has been a member for two years.

The BSU's focuses are educational, social, and cultural, and the group's motto is that "Education is the key to both economic and political empowerment."

Washington, 25, is a Dean's List student majoring in political science at the campus, where she is a work-study student in the Student Life Office. She is employed at a shelter for battered women and children.

Washington is the daughter of Tokiyo and George E. Washington of Willingboro.

Internship opportunities for future accountants

NEW BRUNSWICK — The New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants (NJSCPA) will host its Tenth Annual Internship Open House for college accounting students on Tuesday, October 8, 1991 from 3 to 7 p.m. at The Lytal Regency, Two Albany Street, New Brunswick.

The informal gathering will give students the opportunity to meet representatives from accounting firms and corporations seeking interns. Business attire is highly recommended. Although interviews will not be held, students may submit resumes and arrange for formal interviews at a later date.

An excellent avenue to gain professional experience while attending college, internships offer ambitious students a competitive edge after graduation.

The Open House is free, but registration is required. For more information, contact Stacy Brent

at 201-226-4494.

The NJSCPA represents 12,600 members in public accounting, private industry, government, and education.

St. Peter's hosts open house

JERSEY CITY — St. Peter's Preparatory School in Jersey City will hold its fall Open House on Sunday, September 29, from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

Students, faculty, administrators, and representatives of the Jesuit school's thirteen varsity sports and numerous activities will be on hand to give tours and provide information on Prep's academic and co-curricular programs, as well as transportation, admissions, tuition, scholarships, and financial aid.

For information or directions, call 201-547-6420 or 434-4400.

Plainfield teens participate in Philadelphia clean sweep games

PLAINFIELD — Ten Plainfield youths participated in the Fifth Annual National Clean Sweep Games held last month in Philadelphia, PA. The five day event is part of Mayor Goode's Summer Youth Employment Program. A myriad of outdoor activities with a clean up theme took place. Fifteen invited United States cities, from Los Angeles to Newark, took part by providing a team consisting of eight to ten young men and women between the ages of 14 - 18.

Plainfield youths were selected from the two summer Teen Centers at Maxson School and Plainfield High School, which were run by the Division of Recreation and School Based Youth Services. The 10 teens who participated were Crystal Cosby, Tashawn Harris, Cordina Humphries, Victoria Whitfield, Mona Preston, Rodney Koorsey, Kaylene Grant, Rashmon Meyers, Akem Bealer, and Radell Allen. The chaperones were Sheila Smith, a summer playground counselor, and Alvin Hester, Jr., Mayor Mitchell's Summer Intern.

Participants stayed in dormitories at Temple University. Meals, lodging and in-city travel



Philadelphia Mayor Wilson Goode surrounded by Plainfield youths as part of the Youth Employment Program.

were the courtesy of the City of Philadelphia. The Division of Recreation provided free transportation to and from Philadelphia. During their stay, participants were treated to a tour of Washington, DC, a picnic in Camden, a talent show and ban-

quet. The purpose of the games is to offer participating teams an opportunity to compete with other inner-city youth and to enjoy the history and tradition that Philadelphia has to offer.

Plainfield participated for the first time this year. Overall Plain-

field placed 12th in the 9 events that included: 100 Meter Clean Sweep Relay, Trash Bag Pick Up Relay, 100 Meter Safety Cone Swivel Relay, 4 Way Hand Pick, and the Under and Over Can Toss. Atlantic City, NJ is the 1991 Champion.

Kid's Kalendar

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

NEWARK — The Newark Drum and Bugle Corps is seeking city youngsters to join its ranks and be a part of its high kicking, high spirited activities. Boys and girls 10 and over are invited to join the Corps House in the Armory, 102 Roselle Ave. from 9-12 Noon. For more information, call 201-733-8058.

NEWARK — The Newark School of the Garden State Ballet, 45 Academy St. has announced Fall Scholarship tryouts for children ages 7-12 years. Children selected will enter a three-week introductory program offering free instruction in ballet and tap. For more information, call 201-625-1422.

NORTH BRANCH — Sky show offerings at Raritan Valley Community College include three shows at 1 p.m., "A Musical Space Show" for ages 4-6; at 2 p.m., "The Secret of the Cardboard Pocket," for ages 6-10; and at 3 p.m., "Galaxies," a star show for the whole family. Tickets for all shows: \$4/adults, \$3.50/students and senior citizens. Reservations are suggested. For more information, call (908) 231-8805.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

NORTH BRANCH — A special musical adaptation of the classic story of "Hansel" will be presented by Theatreworks USA at Raritan Valley Community College with performances at 1:30, 4 and 6:30 p.m.

Tickets: \$5/all seats. For more information, call (908) 725-3420.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

EAST BRUNSWICK — A "Crowning Around" contest with features professional amateur clowns from 12:00-2:30 p.m. at the Brunswick Square Mall. Free cookies will be available to the public, which includes a new surprise treat! For more information, call 908-821-9090.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

CRAWFORD — "Astronomy for Kids" for children 8-12 years old thru November 23 from 10:30-11:30 a.m. For more information, call (908) 709-7601.

Hudson County students celebrate Hispanic heritage

JERSEY CITY — About 1,000 eighth and ninth grade Hudson County students attended "Reach for the Stars," a celebration of Hispanic achievement and culture, presented by Thirteenth/WNET and hosted by Jersey City State College last Friday.

The event was designed to provide New Jersey students with positive Hispanic role models complete with a special cultural performance.

The students were addressed by a variety of inspira-

tional speakers including: Robert Menendez, a New Jersey state senator and Mayor of Union City; Dr. Carlos Hernandez, vice president for academic affairs and provost of Jersey City State College; Luis Quinlan, Deputy Mayor of Newark; Margarita Echevarria, an attorney for Mutual Benefit; Fred Noriega, director of public affairs programming for Thirteenth/WNET; and Nilsa Rodriguez, an engineer at Colgate Palmolive.

Students viewed a perfor-

mance by the Eddie Torres Latin Dance Company and watched a reel of highlights of programs airing during the month of September as part of Thirteenth/WNET's observance of Hispanic Heritage Month.

"Reach for the Stars" is an outreach program of Thirteenth/WNET's Community Affairs Department. The event was made possible by Jersey City State College and the Office of the Hudson County Superintendent of Schools.

VIEW FROM HHS

by

Louis W. Sullivan, M.D.



Did you know that Medicaid will pay certain health care costs for poor persons on Medicare?

This assistance is available through the "Qualified Medicare Beneficiary" program — but to receive this assistance, the individual must apply.

My department wants to reach everyone who is qualified for this aid — and I hope you will help us to do that.

Full information, and help, are available at your state or local welfare, social service, or public health agency.

The Medicare program pays most charges for necessary hospital or medical services. But there are some costs (such as premiums, deductibles, and coinsurance) which the individual must cover. For many poor, elderly, and disabled Americans, these costs impose a hardship.

These are the costs that the Medicaid program will cover for Medicare beneficiaries who have incomes below the poverty line and limited financial assets.

The federal poverty line this year is \$6,620 for a single person and \$8,880 for a couple. The limits on financial assets such as bank accounts, stocks, and bonds are \$4,000 for a single person and \$6,000 for a couple. The home, car, and personal items are not counted as part of a person's assets.

An estimated 2 million people already are getting this help but too many still have not applied. They need to be informed or reminded of the opportunity to save money on their health care costs.

Family members, friends, sororities, fraternities, churches, civic and community groups can help inform qualified Medicare beneficiaries about this important financial help they should apply to get.

Here are the kind of health care

savings we are talking about: The program will pay that \$29.50 monthly Part B Premium of almost \$360 a year which is deducted from the monthly Social Security check to help pay for physician and outpatient costs, it also will cover the first \$100 of bills Medicare beneficiaries pay towards Part B services as well as health care costs beyond the 80 percent of approved charges for physician and outpatient services.

Additionally, for inpatient hospital care, the program will pay the deductible of \$628 while Medicare itself covers all approved charges for 60 days.

But remember — it is necessary to apply for help under the Qualified Medicare Beneficiary program. Applicants must be age 65 or older, or disabled. As the state Medicaid agency will pay the out-of-pocket Medicare costs, that agency must determine if a person qualifies.

Applying for this assistance can mean big savings for many more poor people on Medicare. But thus far, our efforts to reach every qualified person have fallen short of the goal.

The Department of Health and Human Services is continuing outreach efforts. We have worked through the Social Security Administration to identify Medicare beneficiaries potentially eligible for the Medicaid coverage. In the past two years we undertook a mass mailing to 14 million potential eligibles, provided all states with computer tapes of Medicare beneficiaries who might be eligible and published materials on the program for distribution through state agencies and senior citizens organizations.

We are getting results. But with your help, we can do better.

Dr. Sullivan is U.S. secretary of health and human services.

National Sickle Cell Month kicked off with new poster child

LOS ANGELES, CA — The National Association for Sickle Cell Disease, Inc. (NASCD) marked its 20th anniversary and the annual observance of September as National Sickle Cell Month by naming Christopher A. Walter, 8, of Mobile, Ala. as 1991-92 National Sickle Cell Poster Child.

"This youngster is energetic and has a positive attitude even on his worst days," said Dorothy H. Boswell, NASCD Executive Director. "He truly represents everything this organization has been working for since 1971, and

he has so much promise. We hope he will remind people of the need



Christopher A. Walter

to support the NASCD and its local Chapters."

Christopher has sickle cell anemia, but his grandmother, Deloris W. Lalgy of Mobile, said that does not keep him from enjoying fishing, drawing, all kinds of ball games, and public speaking. He is also the Poster Child for the Sickle Cell Association of Gulf Coast Alabama, the NASCD local chapter.

Christopher was selected from nominees submitted by NASCD local Chapters throughout the United States. The Selection Committee members included: Merle Luck, Counselor; Janet N. Singleton, realtor-associate, Prudential California Realty; Jack "Chester" Mathews, president, All City Employees Benefits Ser-

vice Association; and Councilman Daniel K. Tabor of Ingleswood, Ca.

All through September, in communities from Florida to Oregon, NASCD will sponsor special events to inform the public about the sickle cell conditions and to point up the need to support local education and service programs.

The NASCD will celebrate its 20th anniversary during the annual convention from October 9-12, at the Los Angeles Hilton and Towers Hotel. The theme for the meeting is entitled, "Reflections:

Opportunities for Renewed Commitment."

Church coalition invites county to pray for the children

NEWARK — Metropolitan Ecumenical Ministry is joining The World Summit for Children Keeping the Promise Campaign by sponsoring a Prayer Service for all area churches on Sunday, September 29 from 6-8:30 p.m. in Celebration Christian Church (World Impact), 275 Sussex Avenue, Newark.

"Metropolitan Ecumenical Ministry (MEM) is sponsoring this prayer service because it is the responsibility of the religious community to restore godly standards to our personal lives, our families and communities." "Not only in other countries, but right here in Essex County, children are dying because too few are defending them and fighting to give them the support they need. Not just world leaders, but local residents and leaders as well must be held accountable for the plight of our children as well," stated Stephen Jones, Executive Director of Metropolitan Ecumenical Ministry.

The Keep The Promise Prayer Service is a part of MEM's continuing, collective Prayer for Church Renewal, Unity and Empowerment held the last Sunday of each month. Admission is free and everyone is invited to be a part of this fervent and traveling prayer for the children. For information call 201-481-6650.

In our world 40,000 children die each day from largely preventable malnutrition and disease. The World Summit for Children, held last September, was the largest gathering of heads of state in history. At the summit, 71 world leaders made bold promises to try to end preventable child deaths on today's scale by the year 2000. The question is: Will these promises be kept?

"Within the County of Essex, 11,248 cases of child abuse and neglect were reported in 1989, 5,057 of which were substantiated. School dropout rates are between 40% and 50% through out urban Essex County,

Newark's lead poisoning rate is among the highest in the nation and crime statistics for teens are climbing each day," according to Jones. "The children need our

help. The churches are joining the Keep the Promise Campaign to make sure that we in our local area keep the promise," said Jones.

National and local religious leaders meet on environment

NEWARK — Assault on our Communities: Congregations Acting for Environmental Justice is the theme of a conference organized by the Metropolitan Ecumenical Ministry and the Eco-Justice Working Group of the National Council of Churches to be held on Saturday, September 28th from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at First Baptist Peddie Memorial Baptist Church, Broad St. & Central Avenue, Newark.

About 40 national religious leaders, several representatives of groups preparing for the United

Nations Earth Summit in Brazil and most of the religious leaders of the state will be participating.

"It's time the churches in our area took an aggressive role in protecting our children's environment from harmful chemicals and toxic waste," said Stephen Jones, Director of Metropolitan Ecumenical Ministry (MEM). "This is not a suburban issue, but one of critical importance to the Latino and African-American communities whose people are suffering and dying from heart

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

NEWARK—"Celebration of Our Kindred Spirit: Remembering James Brown," a program of music, song, and dance in memory of Newark's premier African American artist. Tickets \$10.00. For more information, call 201-733-5411.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

PLAINFIELD—The Alms McLeod Foundation proudly presents a Crag Ford Production of "Paul Robeson: The Universal Man," starring Paul Robeson thru Sept. 29 at Plainfield High School Auditorium. For ticket and special performance information call 908-755-6562.

NORTH BRANCH—The Moscow Ballets, award-winning instrumentalists and vocalists, will perform authentic Soviet classics on traditional Russian folk instruments at 8 p.m. at the College Center at Raritan Valley Community College. \$15/paid. \$12.50/students and seniors. For more information, call 908-725-3420.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

NORTH BRANCH—The Raritan Valley Traditional Music Festival will feature Point Cross, Mel Brooks and Company, the Fiddle, Puppet, Drum and three Cape Breton Music acts at 8 p.m. in the College Theatre at Raritan Valley Community College. \$15/paid. \$12.50/students and seniors. For more information, call 908-725-3420.

NEW BRUNSWICK—George Street Playhouse opens its 18th Anniversary Season with the world premiere comedy, "The Engagement" by Richard Valera on October 20 at the George Street Playhouse, 9 Livingston St. For more information, call 908-246-7717.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10

NEWARK—The Ensemble Theatre Company will present a dramatic reading, "One Day in the Life of a Colored Man," by poet and playwright Kabeer C. D. at 7:00 p.m. at the Central Library, Newark Public Library, 5 Washington St. For more information, call 201-733-7793.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11

NEW BRUNSWICK—The State Theater presents international soprano and legendary R&B/soul/jazz/scat singer Ray Charles at 8 p.m. For more information, call 908-755-6562.

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The Search for Signs of Intelligent Life...

by Peter Jackson

Perhaps the most difficult problem facing an alien visiting Earth is distinguishing between a Campbell's Soup can and Andy Warhol's representation of a Campbell's Soup can: that is distinguishing between art and soup. Truly, a bag lady who believes the aliens and attempts to explain, accustom them to life in the U.S. spends much time trying to assist the aliens in distinguishing between art and life (soup).

Perhaps the most difficult

problem facing those of us who have seen "The Search for Signs of Intelligent Life in the Universe" (Signs) is recognizing the limited use that major production studios have made of the cinematic screen and the actors who populate it. "Signs" combines two elements that ought to be essential to cinema, content and form. It is more than a nostalgic venture into and out of the past thirty years; it is an intellectually challenging, comic meander through the social spirits that have possessed the consciousness of mainstream America, circa

1960-1990.

Yet, as engaging as the content of "Signs" is, Tomlin's acting is the force that forges form into the elegant. Threading the lives of twelve emotionally and spiritually fractured characters into a web of humanity, Tomlin, as a one-person show, is able to capture the sweep of the U.S. experience it occasions between street the acuity of

"working girls." Brandy and Tina, and the social toxicity of the tidy affluent Kate.

As a final triumph for Truly, the bag lady, and the U.S. experience, the alien after watching a stage performance, declare that "the play was soup but that the audience (whom they had studied during the entire performance) was

art. For us the audience, however, the art was surely the play."

The Search for Signs of Intelligent Life in the Universe extends the boundaries of cinema.

#9 — All that a movie should be

Black male conference at William Paterson

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following themes: Black Entrepreneurships, Economics, Politics, Family, Health, Education, Media and special interest presentations.

A coalition of business people, nonprofit organizations, academicians, students, community professionals, and others working together as a task force to present intervention models and action plans, which organizations will have the opportunity to integrate in their existing programs. Thus, there will be a follow-up and monitoring component throughout the year. The recommendations generated from The Action Plan, the Symposium and the Black

Male Workshops will be documented in the 1990-1991 Conference Proceedings.

The 1991 Pyramid Awards Dinner Banquet will be held on Friday, October 25, from 8 p.m. to 12 p.m. There will be entertainment, dancing and awards bestowed upon African-Americans who have distinguished themselves in their pursuits while empowering others and improving their lives. The creator of the Niggo Saba and the Kwanaa Holiday, Dr. Malana Karanga will be one of the recipients of the award.

The keynote speakers will be Valada Alcala, M.D., F.A.C.P. and Dr. Richard Williams, Dr. Alcala who specializes in Hematology, Oncology, Internal Medicine, author of the recent book, The Status of Blacks in the U.S.; Prescription: DOE Improvement (1991) will discuss the beauty of the ancestral and cultural origin of blackness — "A Proud Historical Journey." His presentation will be followed by that of Dr. Williams, author of "They Stole It, But We Must Return It" (1990), who will discuss the psychological missing link and behavioral responses of African-American men to contemporary social conditions. Tickets for the banquet are \$65 for Conference Registrants; or \$75 in advance (for non-Conference Registrants).

Pre-registration for the four-day conference is \$180 (or \$85 per day). The deadline for pre-registering is Wednesday, October 16. Registration on site is \$100 per day, beginning at 8 a.m. each day. The conference workshops are scheduled from 9 to 5:30 p.m. The registration fee includes lunch for two days; dinner on Thursday evening; and a souvenir photo journal. There will also be a special children's (ages 3-13) Cultural Program at \$25 per

day and a Youth Initiative Program at \$65 per day.

This Conference will be a complete family experience with Children's Educational Program, the Youth Initiative Program, the Award's Banquet and the Self-Reliance Network of Exhibitors, who will distribute free information regarding agency programs, employment opportunities, college scholarships, Minority Resource Directors and other self-help resources.

The general community — men, women, and children — are invited to attend the conference.

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Cleavon Little 'Ought to be in Pictures'

NEW BRUNSWICK — Stage and screen star Cleavon Little makes his George Street Playhouse debut in Neil Simon's, "I Ought to be in Pictures," from November 25th — December 22nd.

Theatre lovers may remember Little for his Tony Award winning performance in "Purlie," or for his more recent Broadway appearance at the lovely octagonarium in "Tm Not Rappaport." Movie fans may remember him in the film "Blazing Saddles," while TV viewers may catch Little making one of his numerous guest appearances in shows ranging from "Alf" to "Dear John."

"I Ought to be in Pictures" is the story of a Hollywood screen writer and his teenage daughter who meet after 16 years. GSP's Producing Artistic Director Gregory S. Hurst directs this humorous and poignant look at one family's expectations and dreams. Performance times are Tuesday — Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., Thursday matinee December 5th, 12th and 19th at 11 a.m., Thursday matinee December 21st at 2 p.m. and Monday evening November 25th at 8 p.m.

"I Ought to be in Pictures" is

produced by George Street Playhouse in association with Gene R. Korf and the Blanche and Irving Laurie Foundation.

Tickets for "I Ought to be in Pictures" range from \$18 to \$32 with additional discounts available for students and senior citizens. For further information or ticket reservations please call 908-246-7717.

The George Street Playhouse, a resident company of the New Brunswick Cultural Center, is located at 9 Livingston Avenue in downtown New Brunswick.

CBC weekend

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From civic, political, government, corporate, and media organizations throughout the nation attended the 50 forums, workshops, and legislative sessions held during the week, explained Rep. Alan Wheat (D-MO), chair of the CBC Foundation. "By drawing together leaders from the world of politics, business, the arts, and academia, we expect people to come away from this exciting annual event both informed and involved," he said.

"Once a year my colleagues in the Congressional Black Caucus join together with the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation to bring the black community together nationwide," Espy said. "This is a joint effort to keep our community informed about federal legislation, and for the communities around the country to keep us informed about their needs and concerns. I'm honored to serve as chairman of the 21st Annual Legislative Weekend," he said.

Critics have attempted to "trivialize" the yearly celebration during the return of Congress from the summer recess as "an annual fete where an overabundance of merriment, mingling, and socializing occurs." What said but added "the reality" is that thousands of blacks "from varying social and economic backgrounds convene and participate in constructive dialogue on a multitude of issues concerning Black America."

In addition to the meetings and discussions, units of the separately chartered Congressional Black Caucus and CBC Foundation sponsors fundraising activities at the CBC Spouses Fashion Show, the awards dinner and a jazz symposium, as well as independently coordinated receptions,

luncheons, cocktail parties, etc.

By listening to the thousands who participated in these exchanges, the CBC also gains a grassroots perspective that enhances their effectiveness in handling specific legislation, officials said. "The black community is in a time of crisis and we are mobilizing to confront this crisis," officials declared in their opening statements.

The nation is involved in a 20 year wave of ultra-conservatism which threatens to wash away a great portion of the gains made over the last 40 years, according to the CBC leaders. Referring to the nomination of Thomas to the Supreme Court, the Caucus decried the Bush administration has "wheeled a Trojan Horse before our community... the Bush administration and the majority of Black Americans are not in sync."

The CBC members include Reps. Edolphus Towns (NY), chairman; Kweisi Mfume (Baltimore), vice-chair; Cardis Collins (Chicago), vice-chair; William Jefferson (New Orleans), secretary; Charles A. Hayes (Chicago), treasurer; Craig Washington (Houston) CBC Whip; William L. Clay (St. Louis); Barbara Rose Collins (Detroit); John Conyers (Detroit); Ronald V. Dellums (Berkeley-Oakland, CA); Julian Dixon (Los Angeles); Mervyn Dymally (Los Angeles); Fly Flake (NY); Harold I. Ford (Memphis); Gary Frankel (Waterbury, Conn.); William H. Gray (Philadelphia); John Lewis (Atlanta); Eleanor Holmes Norton (DC) Major R. Owens (NY) Donald Payne (Newark); Charles B. Rangel (NY); Gus Savage (Chicago); Louis Stokes (Cleveland); Maxine Waters (Los Angeles). All members are Democrats except Finks, the lone Republican.

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CITY BUSINESS

Business Exchange...

BUSINESS CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

ELIZABETH—The New Jersey United Minority Business Summit, Inc. will hold its next general program meeting from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Union County Freeholders Board Room, 8th Floor, Union County Administration Building. For info, call 908-757-4721.

FAIRFIELD—The Essex Chapter of the New Jersey Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO) will host an open house for new or prospective members at the Fairfield Executive Inn/Best Western beginning at 6:00 p.m. \$10 registration for members; \$10 non-members. For more info, call 201-822-2500.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

ELIZABETH—Business After Hours at the Sheraton Inn sponsored by the Metro Newark Chamber of Commerce from 4:30 to 7 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom. For information call 1-201-C-H-A-M-B-E-R.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1

NEWARK—Breakfast Forum - "How to Sell Effectively to Public Agencies and Large Institutions" sponsored by the Greater Newark Small, Women & Minority Business Council at Ketchum-Busch, Plaza 1-6. Free \$10. For info, call 201-624-1107.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3

BRIDGEWATER—Your Business & Recycling, Period Together, workshop sponsored by the Somerset County Chamber of Commerce from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. For info, call 908-725-1522.

by William Reed

WASHINGTON, DC (NPA) — "Up you Mighty Race!" was said in the 1920s, and for us to move up in the '90s, black Americans need to have new perspectives of ourselves and our possibilities. Instead of being victims, a new black perspective, and targeted actions, could make us victors. Instead of being America's perpetual losers we could be its perennial winners, and instead of being the group most dependent on the government, we could become the country's most independent. If we simply choose to think and act differently we'd be able to join the rest of US society in reaping the benefits of freedom.

Being really free, which many know is the initial step towards wealth, means we first have to change our behavior. If we want to be free, we have to think and act differently. In our activities and thoughts, we have to remember that, "If we keep doing what we've been doing we will keep getting what we've always gotten." While we debate Clarence Thomas up or down, when his hearings are over, each of us will still have what we had before he

came along. If more blacks put their minds and energies to work we'd be real examples of black enterprise and wealth.

Don King, A.G. Gaston, John H. Johnson, Berry Gordy, and Jay Dudley are black men who took off in a different direction of thinking and acting. As young boys and young adult men, these black success models were as poor and raggedly as any ghetto child. Each of these men made a choice towards success and all have accumulated wealth, and assets exceeding \$100 million. In spite of, and in the face of racism, each of these men became multi-millionaires after they learned to use their heads for something other than just hanging. With a "yes" attitude, these positive and independent black men learned that nothing beats failure but a try.

King had numerous failures in the fight game, as did Johnson, who published two magazines that failed before he paved his mother's furniture and hit pay dirt with a "Life Magazine" look-alike called "Ebony Magazine." Dudley had many lumps in his hair care manufacture and distribution before he climbed to the big time. Gordy faced segregation and a "Closed to blacks" distribution

system before he could get Motown's records sold in stores and played on mainstream stations. Also, Ben Yahweh often ran into brick walls before he and his people nailed their way into a 14 billion dollars worth of collective ownership of hotels, resorts, and real estate properties. All these men changed their habits, actions, and procedures regarding activities that weren't productive in order to grasp the riches of success and accomplishment.

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PATERSON — The Paterson Free Public Library is accepting applications for full-time paid volunteers through a 12-month grant anticipated to be received from the federally-funded Volunteers in Service to America Program (VISTA). Several potential openings of VISTA Volunteers are anticipated to be available for the library's community literacy program, beginning October 1991.

Application forms are also available at the Library's seven branch locations and at the main library circulation desk.

a perspective on wealth and achievement, black America can turn to Dennis Kimbro's new version of Napoleon Hill's successful "Think and Grow Rich" publication. Sensitive to the plight of America's blacks, Kimbro's book addresses the needs of African-Americans with targeted emphasis on the special economic and spiritual needs of blacks.

To grow rich via collective wealth and acquisitions of hotels and real estate stock, people should note the "From Poverty to

Riches" book or seminar series from the Nation of Yahweh. This program offers basic intelligence data, inspirational message and implementation steps that can help blacks own facilities such as the 11-story Atlanta-based Barclay Hotel.

For information on obtaining "Think and Grow Rich," "From Poverty to Riches," or hotel chain expansion opportunities, call or write: Who's Who in Black Corporate America, Suite 1050, 1101 14th Street, Northwest, Washington, DC 20005, 202-371-1313.

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The major work of the project consists of installation of a New Gabled Roof. A copy of the Plans and Specifications will be available for viewing at the Housing Authority Office and at the office of Zytowit & Eckert, AIA, Architects, 101 South Harrison Street, East Orange, New Jersey 07018.

Copies of Contract Documents, including information for Bidders, Bidding Forms, General Drawings and Specifications, may be obtained at the Housing Authority Office, 160 Halsted Street, East Orange, New Jersey 07018 for a payment of \$50.00 non-refundable for each set. Payment shall be by check or draft made payable to the Housing Authority of the City of East Orange.

A prebid conference will be conducted at 10:00 AM on September 30, 1991 at the Construction Site. Attendance at prebid conference by all Bidders is mandatory.

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PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received by the Housing Authority of the Town of Morristown hereinafter called the Authority, in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, at the Administration Office of the Authority located at No. 11 Early Street, Morristown, New Jersey, by September 30, 1991 at 10 A.M. prevailing time. Proposal is for RESIDENT INITIATIVES SERVICES. This notice is an extension of the Deadline previously advertised. The Authority reserves the right to waive any information in proposals and to reject any or all proposals. It is in the best interest of the Authority to do so. The Selection Process will be based on HUD handbook 7485.1 REV. 4 Section 8.2.

The RFP's Documents are on file and may be examined at the Administrative Office of the Authority. Copies of the Documents may also be obtained at said offices.

All consultants must be licensed to do business in New Jersey. Any Consultant who is a corporation not chartered under the Laws of the State of New Jersey, must submit an affidavit certifying that said corporation is authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of Public Law 1975, c. 127 which pertains to "Non-Discrimination" and Affirmative Action, and Public Law 1977, c. 33, which requires a Statement of Corporate Ownership.

Lawrence R. Jackson
Executive Director
Morristown Housing Authority

THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NY & NJ

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

*Sealed bids for the following proposals will be received at The Office of The Manager, Purchasing and Supply Services Division, The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, One World Trade Center, Room 825 South, New York, NY 10048 until 11:00 A.M. on the date indicated below at which time and place said proposals will be opened and read.

Bid documents are mailed upon request by telephoning (212) 435-3036 between the hours of 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. and 1:30 P.M. to 3:30 P.M.

PROPOSAL # 86966
TITLE: REPLACEMENT OF TRUCK COVERS AND CABINETS AT WORLD TRADE CENTER-REBID
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PROPOSAL # 86967
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LEGAL NOTICE

Separate sealed proposals will be received by the Morris County Housing Authority on October 15, 1991 at 2:30 P.M. prevailing time in the Morris County Housing Authority at Morris Avenue, Keshi/Wd and W. Hanover Ave., Morris Township, New Jersey for:

SNOW PLOWING AND ICE REMOVAL FOR VARIOUS MORRIS COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY FACILITIES

The specifications may be obtained at the Morris County Housing Authority, Morris Avenue, Keshi/Wd and W. Hanover Ave., Morris Township, New Jersey.

Bids must be enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the name and address of the bidder and the words "SNOW PLOWING - MORRIS COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY FACILITIES," addressed to the Morris County Housing Authority and presented in person. The proposal when submitted shall be accompanied by a Non-Collusion Affidavit.

BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED AT THE HOUR NAMED, NOT BEFORE AND NOT AFTER, AND NO BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED BY MAIL, FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION OR OVERNIGHT DELIVERY.

The right to reject any or all bids and to waive immaterial formalities is reserved.

Bidders are required to comply with the resumes of P.L. 1975, c. 127 and P.L. 1977, c. 33.

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African American History at Monmouth College

WEST LONG BRANCH—Members of the Community, including family groups with children, are invited to attend a series of seven free evening lectures on African American History and Culture to be held at Monmouth College in October and college for the Humanities, will be held weekly. All will begin at 7 p.m., and, with the exception of the third lecture which will be held on a Wednesday, all will be on Fridays.

"We have scheduled the programs in the early evening and, for the most part, at the end of the school week so young people can attend," explains Gloria Brewer,

Director of the Office of Cross Cultural relations at the college, who is coordinating the series with Prof. Elton Walker of the English faculty. "We want to provide them and their parents opportunity to learn about the richness and breadth of African American history in an informal setting. There will be time for questions at each session, and opportunity for discussion."

The series will open Oct. 4 with a talk on The African American Diaspora by Rutgers University professor, Dr. Clement Price. Dr. Price, who has written extensively on urban New

Jersey and the history of African Americans in New Jersey, will give an overview of the geographic and migratory history of people of African descent in the Americas. This lecture will be given in the School of Business Administration building.

The following five lectures will be held in Wilson Auditorium on the lower level of Woodrow Wilson Hall, College Administrative Center. The concluding, seventh, lecture will be on the H.R. Young Auditorium in Bay Hall.

Oct. 11, Rutgers University political science professor Dr.

Roland Anglin will speak on The Rights Movement of the Sixties - its legacy and challenges for the current generation. Dr. Anglin, who as special policy advisor to Gov. James Florio, has researched issues of housing and community development for the Governor's Office of Management and Planning, has done similar studies as a researcher for the Chicago Urban League and as an aide to the New York City Council.

Behune, their leadership in education, voting and other civil rights issues, and politics. The English and History de-

partments and the Women's Studies Program at the college are joining to present the lectures, with the Office of Cross-Cultural Relations, a component of Monmouth's Leadership and Social Responsibility initiative which is

sponsored by a New Jersey Department of Higher Education Grant for Excellence Initiatives.

Those wishing additional information about the series may telephone the Office of Cross Cultural Relations 908-571-7516.



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Parents critical

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policy."

While Mrs. Jackson maintains that Campbell is virtually inaccessible, Smith said he actually has an open door policy with parents and other concerned citizens. He also said, contrary to what these parental organizations believe, that Campbell is one of the most experienced educators in the state and is "more than willing to talk with these groups if they feel they've been wronged or slighted."

When asked about these parents' plans to petition for Campbell's resignation, Smith said that he had heard talk of this issue but it was the constitutional right of these people to act in the manner they have chosen.

Mrs. Jackson and others are planning to exercise more of their constitutional rights in the coming days and at press time, had scheduled a "candlelight vigil" this past Sunday on the steps of Newark City Hall. They also expected to address the Board of Education during the meeting of the 24th.

She said the parents are holding the Board of Education, Campbell, Mayor Sharpe James, and the New Jersey State Department of Education accountable for what has been going on in the district.

"We would like to know why the State Department of Education hasn't come in to investigate the charges the parents are making," she said.

"We don't want a takeover, we just want them to come in and investigate all our allegations over the last two years," she said.

Religious leaders meet

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and lung disease. We hope that all of the urban churches in Newark and the vicinity will send representatives."

Newark was chosen for the tour because it is a community with a high concentration of toxic wastes and air pollution. Newark has one of the highest rates of lead poisoning in the country. Currently, one family is suing the City of Newark because their child contracted lead poisoning from old paint. Citizens from Newark have led hard and sometimes successful fights to stop pollution. Inbound residents are currently fighting for full disclosure of what is coming out of the smokestacks at the garbage incinerator which began operation last year.

Roots Environmental (GROE), NJ Environmental Federation, Cosmoquea Network of NJ and the Inbound Community Against Toxic Waste (ICATW).

Church leaders from all around the United States will be touring Essex and Union counties polluted sites on Saturday. In addition to Newark, church leaders will also tour the Union County area where residents in Elizabeth are fighting a sludge incinerator, residents of Linden are fighting a hazardous wastes incinerator and residents of Rahway are fighting a garbage incinerator.

The conference will include a public hearing designed for national church representatives to listen to community residents and leaders testify about how toxic wastes have affected their lives and communities.

Salaries not ratified

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like to see the ordinance involving the data processing center separated from the rest of the ordinances.

Councilwoman Miller asked the administration if it were possible that the Council could have the resume of the individual they had in mind for the directorship. City Administrator Jewel Thompson-Olin said that the delay in the ordinance's approval has left the ad-

ministration in the position of starting from scratch to find another candidate. Chin also implied that if the measures were not passed in the near future (the 90 day time limit the state honors has just passed) the state could possibly not honor employees' wages and also not allow personnel to take civil service examinations, which pertain to their current job assignments.

Of the seven ordinances, one was tabled and six were voted down. Councilman Frank Meeks and Earl Robinson voted in favor to all six while Councilman Jim Brannick abstained to all. Mrs. Miller, Councilwoman Faheemah El-Amin and President Ughurhat voted against all the ordinances. Councilman Malcolm Dunn opposed four of the ordinances and voted in favor of two.

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